



Post-9/11 GI Bill Benefits Briefing

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Overview

- GI Bill Programs
- Post 9/11 GI Bill Eligibility
- Post 9/11 GI Bill Transferability
- How to apply for Benefits
- Links and POCs





GI Bill Programs

CH 1606, MGIB-SR (Part-Time)

CH 1607, REAP (Deployed RC Members)

CH 30, MGIB-AD (Active Duty)

CH 33, Post 9/11 (Post 11 Sep 2001)





GI Bill: A Short History





Post 9/11 GI Bill - Overview

 Our country's investment in the deserving men and women who have defended our nation since 9/11

 Provides eligible veterans and dependents with tuition and fee payments, a housing stipend and a books and supplies stipend to assist in achieving academic pursuits

 Allows members of the Armed Forces to <u>transfer</u> these benefits to dependents



Qualifying Time

Served on Title 10/32 active duty for an <u>aggregate</u>
 (combined) period ranging from 90 days to 36 months

or

- Served on Title 10/32 active duty for 30 continuous days and was discharged due to a <u>service-connected disability</u>
- Active Duty means full-time duty in regular components of the Armed Forces or under a call to active duty under Title 10 U.S.C. 672(d), 688, 12301(a), 12301(d), 12301(g), 12302, 12304
- Title 32 AGR for the purpose of organizing, administering, recruiting, instructing, or training, and under section 502(f) for the purpose of responding to a national emergency (Operation Noble Eagle)



Non-Qualifying Time

- Qualifying Active Duty does not currently include the following:
 - Service Academy Contract Period
 - ROTC Active Duty Contract Period under 10 USC 2107(b)
 - Service terminated due to an erroneous or defective enlistment
 - Active Duty Service used for Active Duty loan repayment
 - Active Duty for Operational Support (ADOS)



Payment Tiers

Service Requirements on/after 9/11/01 an individual must serve an aggregate of	Payment Tiers Percentage
At least 36 cumulative months	100%
At least 30 continuous days on active duty and discharged due to service-connected disability	100%
At least 30 cumulative months	90%
At least 24 cumulative months	80%
*At least 18 cumulative months	70%
*At least 12 cumulative months	60%
*At least 6 cumulative months	50%
*At least 90 aggregate days	40%

Payment Tier applies to Tuition & Fees, Books & Supplies Stipend, and to the Housing Stipend

* Excludes entry level and skill training (IADT) on or after 11 SEP 2001



Tuition/Fees

- Paid directly to the school
- Pays all public school in-state tuition and fees
- Pays private and out-of state tuition and fees up to the VA cap of \$20,235.02 annually
- Based on payment tier
- Pays after:
 - Any scholarship
 - Federal Tuition Assistance
 - State Tuition Assistance
 - Employer based aid or other assistance





Housing Stipend

- Attending Campus:
 - Paid directly to the student
 - Must be attending more than half-time
 - Payment is equivalent to BAH for an E-5 w/dependents
 - Payment amount is determined by zip code of institution
 - Prorate based on training time and payment tier



- Must be attending more than half-time
- The rate is equal to ½ the national average BAH for an E-5 with dependents (full time at 100% tier = \$754.50 as of 1 AUG 2014)
- Prorate based on training time and payment tier
- Service member and spouse not eligible for stipend while on Active Duty (excludes children)





Books and Supplies Stipend

- Based on 24 credit hours in a single academic year
- Computed at \$41.67 per credit hour
- Up to \$1,000 per academic year





- Lump sum payment directly to the student each semester
- Prorated based on payment tier (40% 100%) & rate of pursuit
- Active duty members became eligible on 1 October 2011



Non-College Degrees (NCD)

- Non-college degrees: Pays actual net cost for in-State tuition and fees at public NCD institutions. At private and foreign institutions, pays the actual net costs for in-state tuition and fees or \$20,235.02, whichever is less.
- On-the-job and apprenticeship training: Pays a monthly benefit amount prorated based on time in program.
- Flight programs: Per academic year, pays the actual net costs for in-state tuition and fees assessed by the school or \$11,562.86, whichever is less. This limit is applicable to flight programs at both IHLs and non-IHLs.
- Correspondence training: Per academic year, pays the actual net costs for in-state tuition and fees assessed by the school or \$9,828.43, whichever is less.



Benefit Periods

When Can I Use It?

- While on Active Duty or non Active Duty status
- For 15 years from date of <u>last</u> Active Duty discharge; or
- For 15 years from <u>last</u> "Qualifying Service" of at least 90 consecutive days



Transfer of Entitlement





Transfer of Entitlement

- May transfer up to a total of 36 months of benefits to spouse, child or children
 - Determined by number of months of eligibility
 - Reduced if the SM previously drew months of benefits
- Must <u>initiate</u> the transfer of benefits (TEB) while still serving in the Armed Forces
 - Can <u>Add dependents</u>, <u>Revoke</u> benefit or <u>Modify months</u>
 - Meet the Remaining Service Obligation (RSO) of 4 years





Transfer of Entitlement (continued)

- Retirees or separated SMs <u>cannot</u> transfer benefits
 - Can only <u>Revoke</u> or <u>Modify</u> existing transferred benefits
 - Always transfer benefits as soon they decide to do so or



- Once transfer is <u>Approved</u>:
 - Spouse can draw up to 15 years
 - Dependent children <u>draw</u> benefits until Age 26 ...
 - or when their months of benefit are exhausted





Rules for Transferring Entitlement

- To be approved to transfer, a member <u>must</u>...
 - Be in Armed Forces on or after 1 Aug 09, and
 - Have completed <u>at least</u> 6 years in the Armed Forces, <u>and</u>
 - Not have an adverse action flag, <u>and</u>
 - Agree to serve 4 (additional) years



- Dependent Use
 - Spouse can use immediately upon approval
 - Children use when sponsor completes 10 yrs TIS



Transfer to DEERS Eligible Dependents

Spouse (no age restrictions to transfer)

- Children (restricted to less than age 23)
 - Under Age 23 must be under the age of 23 to receive transferred months of benefits
 - Age 1-20 DEERS Code allows TEB Transfer outright
 - At Age 21/22 DEERS Code becomes N/A to transfer benefits unless dependent is enrolled in college
 - Age 23 or more Once they reach age 23 they drop out of DEERS and are no longer eligible dependents.



Dependent Benefit Periods

Spouse - Immediate

- Draw immediately upon approval
- Paid based on Service member's duty status
- Has 15 years to draw (like SM, from date of <u>last</u> separation from Active Duty)



Children – At 10 yrs TIS

- Draw when sponsor has 10 years time in service
- ALWAYS paid as a Non-Active Duty member
- Begin drawing at age 18 to age 26 before benefits end (or 17 & high school grad); upload Diploma w/app



Transfer Process

Step 1: Apply to transfer benefits on-line at:

https://www.dmdc.osd.mil/milconnect/

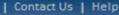
or https://www.ebenefits.va.gov/

- Step 2: Complete a DA Form 4836 Extension of Enlistment (Enlisted Soldiers only) if needed
 - Detailed instructions provided by GI Bill support team
 - Forward a completed copy to your respective State SIDPERS
 - Ensure extension & current NGB 23 is uploaded into IPERMS



MilConnect to Transfer









Sign into milConnect powered by the **Defense Manpower Data Center (DMDC).** This has all your dependent information.

Home

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milConnect is a Web site provided by the DMDC that allows sponsors, spouses, and their children (18 years and older) to access information regarding their personal information, health care eligibility, personnel records, and other information from a centralized location. Each main menu option within this site launches a page of Questions and Answers.



If you have

mmon Access Card (CAC), (myPay) Account or DoD Self vice (DS) Logon, click the

below to sign in.

Breaking News: milConnect has a brand new look!

Life Events that Impact Your Benefits



- Medicare
- Marriage
- Children
- Divorce

Military Transitions



- · I am deploying soon
- AD to TAMP (Transitional Assistance)

Education Benefits



- Transfer Your **Education Benefits** in milConnect
- How To Submit a

DEERS



- · General Information
- DEERS and TRICARE

ID Cards



- General Information
- Temporary ID Number (TIN)

Sign In

Sign Up

Sign In

Sponsors can create a DS Logon by clicking the button below. Please have your CAC or DFAS Account ready.

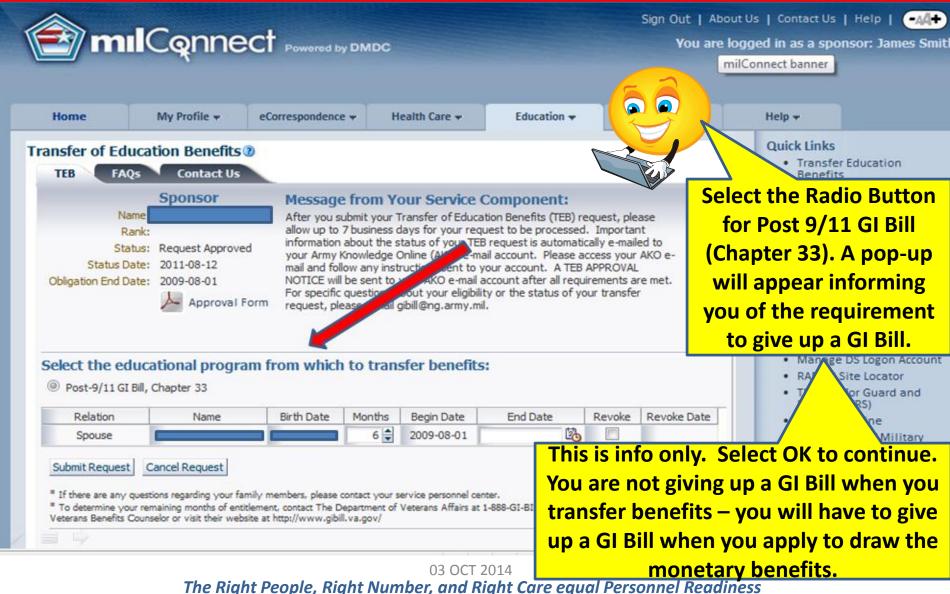
Sign Up Now

Quick Links

- Go to Transfer Education Benefits (TEB)
- Go to Update Address
- Go to Update GAL

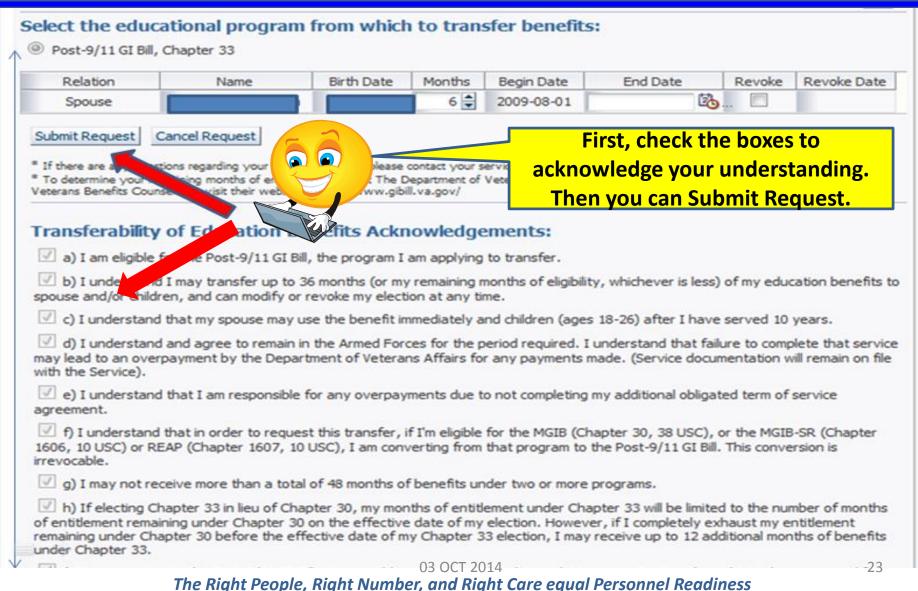


MilConnect to TEB Transfer





Milconnect TEB Transfer





What Happens Next?

- GI Bill Support Team sends e-mail to your <u>AKO account</u>
 (Enterprise Email) indicating approval or pending status
- If pending approval, follow instructions in the e-mail
- If approved get your Approval Certificate!
- Approved and ready to draw benefits?
 - Submit VONAPP online
 - VA Processes and will send notification
 - Soldier receives letter
 - Dependent receives Certificate of Eligibility (COE)



Approval Confirmation

Treat Approval
Certificate as an
Estate document.



DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE MANPOWER DATA CENTER 400 GIGLING ROAD SEASIDE, CALIFORNIA 93955-6771

Jan 28, 2014



Now that you have received approval, your family members can apply to use their transferred benefits with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) by completing VA Form 22-1990e, available at http://wabenefits.vba.va.gov/vonapp/main.asp.

This notice represents the status of your transfer request as of the date of this approval confirmation. As long as you are in the Uniformed Services, you can modify your transfer request using TEB in milConnect (http://milconnect.dmdc.mi). These modifications include adding family members to transfer requests, editing transfer months, and revoking transferred months. Family members cannot be added to your transfer request after you separate from the Service. However, separated members can still edit transfer months and revoke transferred months on a transfer request that has already been submitted. You can print out an updated copy of this notice whenever you make changes to your transfer request.

If you have additional questions regarding transferability or if you have made changes to your transfer request that are not reflected below, please return to TEB and use the help icon to access the TEB User Manual or use the FAQs and Contact Us tabs to access additional information.

The Defense Manpower Data Center reflects that your approval is for the following individual(s):

Transfer Request Date:	Jan 11, 2010	
Transfer Status:	Request Approved	
Transfer Status Date:	Jan 19, 2010	
Obligation End Date:	Jan 11, 2012	

This is also known as your Remaining Service Obligation (RSO).

Notice the Obligation End Date (OED).

Dependent Name	Begin Date	End Date	Transfer
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How to Apply for Usage

- Apply On Line at VONAPP: http://vabenefits.vba.va.gov/vonapp/main.asp
- Information Needed
 - School address and school VA representative's phone number
 - Personal Information (Address, Phone #, etc...)
 - Bank routing number and individual account number



- Supporting Documents
 - DD214 and/or Orders (mobilization, Temporary Change of Station (TCS),
 Title 10 ADOS, Title 10 AGR, Title 32 AGR)
 - Ensure all orders/DD 214s and current NGB 23s are in your iPERMS)
 - Scan/upload documents (Avoid sending documents through the mail)
 - Dependents scan/upload Sponsor's supporting documents w/application





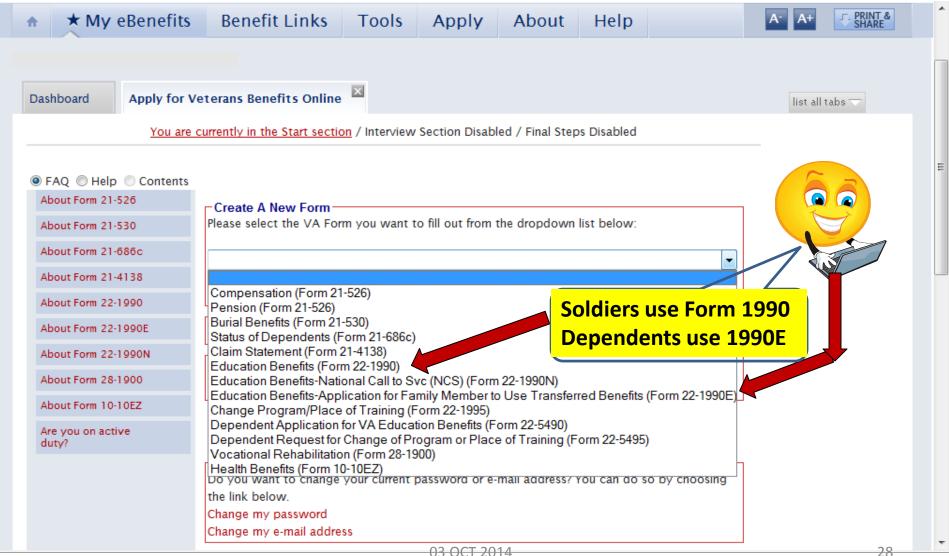
Veterans On-Line Application (VONAPP)



New Users create Login and Password for immediate entry into the Application!!



VA Forms 22-1990/22-1990e





Certificate of Eligibility

CONGRATULATIONS

Certificate of Eligibility

This certifies that you are entitled to benefits for an approved program of education or training What do I do? nder the Post-9/11 GI Bill.

How many months?

You must take this letter to your school. Your school must certify your enrollment before you can get paid.

Which GI Bill?

How long?

What % Tier?

You have 33 months and 0 days of full-time benefits. You will remain angible under the Post-9/11 GI Bill until February 5, 2017. This is your 26th birthday.

What status?

You're entitled to receive 100% of the benefits payable under the Post-9/11 GI Bill program for training offered by an institution of higher education. We determined this refrentage based on length of creditable active duty service. We based our decision on the following service information:



Begin Date	End Date	Length
Jan 5, 2006	STILL ON	N/A
	DUTY	i
Total Aggregate	service (in days)	N/A

Yellow Ribbon Program.

Because you are eligible at the 100% benefit rate, you may also be eligible to participate in the Yellow Ribbon Program. The Yellow Ribbon Program allows schools to enter into an agreement with VA to provide additional financial assistance to individuals who are charged tuition and fees that exceed the in-State maximum amount payable under the Post-9/11 GI Bill program. This benefit is only payable if the Post-9/11 GI Bill tuition and fee payment does not cover the full cost of your school's tuition and fees.

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Determine Remaining Entitlement

- Contact the VA at 1-888-442-4551 or via eBenefits at:
 <u>www.ebenefits.va.gov</u>
- Ask "How many months have I used of each GI Bill?"
 CH1606, CH1607, CH30, CH33
- Subtract total months used from 48 months
- Each GiBill program has a maximum of:
 - 36 months of entitlement
 - 48 months combined lifetime benefits





100% CH33 BENEFIT EXAMPLE

4 years U of M – 108CHrs - Full Time Status

- 4 yrs (36mos) @ \$1,000 = \$108,000
- 4 yrs Housing Allowance = \$ 47,628
- 4 yrs Books & Fees Stipend = \$ 4,000
- First Yr Tutorial Assistance = \$ 1,200

TOTAL: \$160,628!



ADD the ARNG KICKER

Soldier using Kicker

• Kicker (36mos) @ \$200 = \$7,200

TOTAL: \$172,628!

*** Kicker will pay to dependents



USE TUITION ASSISTANCE!

- FTA (6 years) @ \$4000 = \$ 24,000
- MING-STAP (6 years) @ \$4500 = \$ 27,000
- Obtain Education Goals with continued Service and:



SAVE CH33 for the FAMILY!



SUMMARY

- Step 1: Determine Remaining GI Bill Entitlement
- Step 2: Determine CH 33 Service / Payment Tier
- Step 3: Understand Benefits / Payment Overview
- Step 4: Make an Informed Decision
 - Determine Education Goals / Compare GI Bill Programs
 - Transferability: 2 Step Application Process
- Step 5: Apply for Certificate of Eligibility and to use Benefits (Soldier & Dependent)





USE BENEFITS WISELY

- FTA used with CHs 1607 & 30 at low cost Community Colleges often pay more than CH33
- Fully utilizing FTA w/1607 & 30 can save CH33 GI Bill for higher cost BA/MA pursuit = More \$\$\$
- CH33 is best maximized when dependents use it as they cannot draw FTA but may pull Kicker
- Future cost of education makes transferring CH33 a wise choice with a guaranteed high rate of return on the investment of time



MIARNG Points of Contact

- BN CAREER COUNSELORS Your Battalion POC
- MSC CAREER COUNSELORS Your Brigade
- STATE RETENTION NCO MSG Stafford
- ATTRITION MANAGER
- STATE GI BILL MANAGER SSG Virgil Akins
- EDUC SERVICES OFFICER Vacant



ARNG Points of Contact

GI BILL Support Team

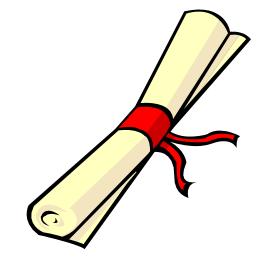
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REFERENCES

- GI Bill Website
- Federal Register Vol. 74, No. 60 / Tuesday,
 March 31, 2009 / Rules and Regulations
 - -www.gibill.va.gov
- GI Bill Call Center (VA staffed)
 - 1-888-GIBILL-1





QUESTIONS?



Let's WRAP UP!



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Your Country and it's Citizens Appreciate Your Service!